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PUTTING HIS FOOT IN IT

AMBASSADOR GERARD has probably found out by this time that he put his foot in it when he opened his mouth to enlighten the German government on the policy of the administration regarding the future of the war in Europe. Mr. Gerard, arrogated to himself the right of interpreting the diplomatic policies of the man in the White House and the fact that he was not exactly correct in his sense of the eternal fitness of things may be taken as a further demonstration of the turbid nature of the note indited by Mr. Wilson in his clumsy attempt to convert the belligerents to his point of view. No one deprecates the effort of any other man to bring about a cessation of hostilities, for the object is the most laudable desire of the whole world. The most aggressive advocates of a settlement by force of arms will confess that there is very poor show for such an outcome and that the outlook promises a continuance of the fighting until all parties concerned are worn out and succumb without having gained any material advantage from protracting the warfare. Nevertheless it illy becomes a neutral to appear at an official banquet and assume the prerogative of speaking for his country without having an express understanding with the powers that be. It was pardonable, perhaps, for the ambassador to think he was authorized to perform this mission, since he was a recent visitor to the president, from whom he is supposed to have received instructions concerning his official behavior during the crisis that impends. But Mr. Wilson himself is the one who should be taken to task for obscuring his meaning so cunningly that his own secretary of state should have been compelled to send out three different missives explaining what the president meant when he wrote the fateful note. The action is traceable to the development of the shirt sleeve statesmen who sprang into being with the Democratic administration. They have been responsible for more than one grievous error of judgment, but it is conceded that the greatest mistake of our present diplomatic service is in talking too freely and saying too much without going through a period of coaching with the Delphic oracle who sits in the White House and tosses off notes on international questions with the abandon of a hysterical school girl writing her first essay on the wherabouts of the has been. Mr. Gerard will probably become the goat and he will be censured for doing exactly what Mr. Lansing did when he essayed his famous letter writing exploit in trying to advise the world of speculation that the president would not have butted in had he not been apprehensive of the United States becoming involved in the European struggle.

That the American ambassador fell a victim to the crafty German hosts goes without further saying, for his tongue seems to have loosened to a rather remarkable extent when he felt the geniality of his environment circulate in his veins and therefore he said more than he might have said were he seated at home where he could take a dispassionate view of his situation as the representative of a nation that was engaged in courting the favors of the allies, whom its steel masters were furnishing with the bulk of their ammunition and foodstuffs. Perhaps one of these days Mr. Wilson will come to the conclusion that he had better write another note officially and personally explaining what he really did mean when he trailed after the kaiser in seeking to persuade the entente that they better accept he kaiser's magnanimous offer of a conference to talk it all over and try to reach an understanding before the wily Teuton would be dispossessed of his ill gotten territorial acquisitions.

NORCROSS, THE MAN FOR THE JOB

THE prompt retirement of President Hendrick is cheap at the cost. He is given a vacation after his resignation was accepted with salary to extend to the first of May, when his resignation takes effect. Naturally the thought of a successor is uppermost in the minds of all persons who wish the University of Nevada would once for all be rescued from politics and elevated to the high standard that the leading educational institution of the state should occupy. The vacancy leaves a very desirable position to fill; one that should be filled by a man known to the voters of Nevada and a man in whom the people have confidence. Such a man is Frank Norcross, late chief justice of the state supreme court. Judge Norcross is qualified in every way to meet the onerous requirements of the position and it is hoped that the regents will not be guilty of the crime of going outside Nevada to engage in any further experiments so fraught with danger. Judge Norcross, if the Bonanza is rightly informed, was a member of the first class graduated from the university and a man who always has taken a deep personal interest in all matters concerning the welfare of his alma mater. Personally he is known to almost every citizen of the state who has been here long enough to vote. His record is unimpeachable and his many years of training in the courts have strengthened a judicial temperament that has been noted for ability to mete out justice to friend or foe whenever a case was submitted to his consideration.

California is carrying a huge page ad in the eastern Sunday newspapers advising readers not to "shiver in the east," but to hasten by first train to California, where they may shiver in the grip of the hotelkeepers who have made millions out of the winter tourists invigiled into their hostilities.

France started the new year with highest taxes on record, but, then, the nation has something to show for its money while Nye county is without a single redeeming feature except that the old gang was ousted and that taxes will come down without waiting for the H. C. O. L. to alter.

Nevada hired one architect to build an addition to the capitol and then hired another to adjust the acoustics so that the statesmen could hear themselves think.

Judd Terrell, the veteran prospector, says he came within a foot or two of being bitten by a mad coyote. This is hardly explicit and the public would like to know which foot.

In Churchill county they have the efficiency system down so fine that a real wild otter was seen traveling overland across a bend in the Lahontan canal to avoid swimming half a mile. Some other that.

An Elko woman hunting a rabid coyote found that three bullets would not stop him so she took a club and beat him to death. Imagine coming home late to a wife like that!

IN ARIZONA STOCK FLOTATIONS CONDEMNED BY BLUE SKY MAN

Deputy Baker of the California commission on corporations states that he visited the mine of the Arizona Ray Copper company just after the Los Angeles papers had come out in big headlines proclaiming, "A Big Copper Strike Adds a Third Big Copper Mine to the District," and after promoters of the property had made public a number of glowing predictions.

The scene at the mine is described in the report as follows: "Some workmen were putting up a water tank. Neither of the two churn drills are in operation. A pair of miners were pegging away at the bottom of a shaft, down about 75 feet on one of the claims, with no ore in sight. A solitary blacksmith was sharpening drills at its mouth."

The report adds: "I am not predicting that ore will, or will not, be found on the Arizona Ray property. The best opinions procurable regard such discovery as improbable. Nothing is impossible. But if the company wins, it will be in spite of the heavy handicap imposed upon it by the promoters."

CONQUEST OF MEXICO THROUGH SCHOOLS

(By Associated Press.)
 CINCINNATI, Jan. 9.—Intervention in Mexico, not with arms, but by free, public, non-sectarian schools, was recommended in a report issued last night by a self-constituted committee of Americans of national reputation as educators and publicists. This committee began studying Mexican conditions about a year and a half ago. Its conclusions were summarized as follows:

"The chaos existing in Mexico is due to variety of racial elements, woeful lack of general education, still greater lack of political experience, and capacity and stupidity of the education leaders, and in a few instances of intelligent uneducated."

The committee recommended establishment of non-sectarian colleges, modeled after the Roberts college in Constantinople, which would have the backing of the American people. The report reads in part:

"The crying need of Mexico is education, a type of education that will lift the common people out of their sloth and ignorance and enlist the better classes in a real patriotic service."

"The problem is one for the people of the United States as well as the

Mexicans. Such a problem is no more difficult than were similar ones in reference to Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. The Mexican natives have the capacity and if they were given the opportunity would readily acquire industrial education."

The report continues by calling attention to certain instances of "frenzied" stock promotion in Arizona, and concludes: "The mineral resources of Arizona unquestionably offer a field for profitable development. If the money of investors as actually put in the process of prospecting the ground and making mines where ore is found, the purchaser of securities in such enterprises is offered at least a gambling chance."

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AMERICANS INVITED BY SCANDINAVIANS

(By Associated Press.)
 NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The Danish football association has requested the United States soccer association to select an all-American squad to play Denmark, with a guarantee of \$9000. The American association also received an offer from Sweden requesting twenty players expert in baseball and also soccer to play there next summer.

OHIO SOLDIERS SICK
 (By Associated Press.)
 EL PASO, Jan. 9.—One member of the 8th Ohio infantry died and another is sick of spinal meningitis.

High temperatures and a saline solution are the essential features of a New York inventor's process for permanently waving women's hair.

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